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Will Kempton, Director California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street, Mail Station 82 P.O. Box 942874 Sacramento, California 94274-0001

Re: FY 2004/05 to 2005/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program; SCAG Highway and Transit FSTIP Amendment # 19 and Amendment # 21

Attention: Rachel Falsetti, Transportation Programming, MS-82

Dear Mr. Kempton:

We have completed our review of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2004/05 to 2004/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment #19 and Amendment #21, as requested by your letter of April 9, 2006 and April 24, 2006.

We find SCAG's FTIP Amendment #19 and #21were developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23USC 134 &135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23CFR450. California Department of Transportation assures this amendment has met the financial constraint requirements included in our transportation planning regulations, i.e. 23 CFR 450.324(e).

As required by 40 CFR parts 51 and 93, the RTIP, as amended, is found to conform to the applicable SIP in accordance with Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended by 942 USC 7504, 7506(c) and (d). Per 40 CFR 93.122(g), the conformity determination relied on the previous regional emissions analysis. Moreover, this amendment has been coordinated with the Regional Offices of the Environmental Protection Agency. Furthermore, FHWA can only approve projects that have not already been obligated or completed. Consequently the following projects were not taken into consideration: project 1178A; LA0D28;LA0B7009.

This letter constitutes approval of Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) Amendment #19 and Amendment #21 with the exception of the following projects: project 1178A; LAOD28;LAOB7009 in Amendment #19 and ORAO00195 in Amendment #21. The SCAG FTIP Amendment #19 and #21 are approved and included into California's 2004/05-06/07 FSTIP, with the understanding the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all FTA and FHWA administrative requirements.



This approval is based on the California Department of Transportation's assurance the funding for these amendments do not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this determination, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Grace S. Balmir of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Office at (213) 202-3953 or Mr. Ted Matley of the Federal Transit Administration at (415) 744-2590.

Sincerely,

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